WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1.    A method for controlling printable content from textual and graphical sources, comprising:

      monitoring for a print request;

      intercepting a print file generated from the print request;

      matching the print file with stored data identification; and

      transforming a print file in accordance to stored print options.


2.    The method of claim 1 wherein the print medium formatting program, comprises:

      at least one print configuration data file configured to store the data identification and print options;

      a print monitoring module configured for monitoring the print request; and

      a transformation program module configured for transforming the print file.


3.    The method of claim 2 wherein the matching step further comprises:

      identifying data identification in the print request; and

      comparing said data identification in the print request to the stored data identification in a currently selected print configuration data file.


4.    The method of claim 1 further comprising printing the transformed print file to an output device.


5. The method of claim 4 wherein the output device is selected from the group consisting of a printer, a copier, and a scanner.


6.    The method of claim 1 wherein the stored data identification and print options are user configured.


7.    The method of claim 1 wherein prior to the monitoring step, the method further comprises the step of receiving the data identification options and print options from a graphical user interface generated by a print option formatting module.

8.   The method of claim 7 wherein the receiving step further comprises selecting from a listing of the at least one print configuration data file as a current print configuration data file.

9.   The method of claim 1 wherein the print file is a spooled print file.

10.   The method of claim 1, wherein prior to the transforming step, the print file is configured by print drivers.

11.   A computer-readable medium comprising a print medium formatting program which, when executed by a processor, causes the processor to perform an operation for controlling printable content from textual and graphical sources in a computer system, the operation comprising:

    monitoring for a print request;

    intercepting a print file generated from the print request;

    matching the print file with stored data identification; and

    transforming a print file in accordance to stored print options.

12.   The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein the print medium formatting program, comprises:

    at least one print configuration data file configured to store the data identification and print options;

    a print monitoring module configured for monitoring the print request; and

    a transformation program module configured for transforming the print file.

13.   The computer-readable medium of claim 12 wherein the matching step further comprises:

    identifying data identification in the print request; and

    comparing said data identification in the print request to the stored data identification in a currently selected print configuration data file.

14. The computer-readable medium of claim 11 further comprising printing the transformed print file to an output device selected from the group consisting of a printer, a copier, and a scanner.

15. The computer-readable medium of claim 11 wherein the stored data identification and print options are user configured.

16. The computer-readable medium of claim 11 wherein prior to the monitoring step, the operation further comprises the step of receiving the data identification options and print options from a graphical user interface generated by a print option formatting module.

17. The computer-readable medium of claim 16 wherein the receiving step further comprises selecting from a listing of the at least one print configuration data file as a current print configuration data file.

18. The computer-readable medium of claim 11, wherein prior to the transforming step, the print file is configured by print drivers.

19. A computer system configured to control printable content from textual and graphical sources, comprising:

a memory containing a print medium formatting program;

a processor, which when configured by the print medium formatting program performs an operation comprising

monitoring for a print request;

intercepting a print file generated from the print request;

matching the print file with stored data identification; and

transforming a print file in accordance to print options.

20. The computer system of claim 19 wherein the processor is configured to execute a print command to print the transformed print file to at least one output device coupled to the computer system.

21.     The computer system of claim 20 wherein the at least one output device is a device selected from the group consisting of a printer, a copier, and a scanner.

22.     The computer system of claim 19 wherein the print medium formatting program is loaded and accessible from a program selected from the group consisting of an operating system, a device driver, and an applications program.

23.     The computer system of claim 19 wherein the print medium formatting program further comprises:

at least one print configuration data file configured to store data identification and print options;

a print monitoring module configured for monitoring the print request; and

a transformation program module configured for transforming the print file.

24.     The computer system of claim 19 wherein the data identification comprises at least one print configuration data file, the at least one output device, and at least one applications program.

25.     The computer system of claim 19 wherein the print options include selectable print color, resolution, size, pages per page, and the printable content.

26.     The computer system of claim 19 wherein the printable content is selected from the group consisting of text only, headers, banners, advertisements, solid background, and user highlighted content.

27.     A method for controlling printable content from textual and graphical sources, comprising:

receiving first data identification and print options;

storing first data identification data and print data in a print configuration data file from the received data identification and print options;

identifying a print request from a user;

intercepting a print file generated from the print request;

determining whether second identification data in the print file matches the first identification data in the print configuration data file;

if so, displaying at least one graphical user interface (GUI);

accepting selections in the at least one GUI; and

transforming the print file in accordance with the first data identification data and print data in the print configuration data file.

28.    The method of claim 27 wherein the received data identification and print options are configured by a user via said at least one GUI.

29.    The method of claim 27 wherein said displaying step further comprises at least one of the steps selected in the group consisting of: creating a new print configuration data file, editing an existing print configuration data file, deleting an existing print configuration data file, and accepting a current print configuration data file.

30.    The method of claim 27 further comprising printing the print file on at least one output device.

31.    The method of claim 30 wherein the at least one output device is a device selected from the group consisting of a printer, a copier, and a scanner.

32.    The method of claim 27 wherein the print file is a spooled print file.